Grandby is special because

Dayton, Oregon April 9th

Hello Dears!

I surely haven't found much time for letter writing of late-or should I say, no time-I just don't get them done! I think of you so often though-How is your weather? More springlike than ours, no doubt! It's misty again today and in the upper forty's -tomorrow and the rest of the week are predicted to be better, I hope-Dad is having trouble getting good enough weather to work on the barn-yesterday he and Merle worked about six hours, I guess-but for the past couple of weeks it's been too wet so he worked at our dance hall off and on-the one half of the floor was in bad shape-peeling, in fact-so he scraped off the old finish by hand, and down on his knees in order to do a good job-would work a couple of hours and go back the next day of afternoon, etc. Now he has that half the floor that was bad all finished-two of the men came Sunday morning and ran the sander for him and another came last night and helped buff it- we went over Sunday night after coming back from Conways and I vaccumed up the sanding dust and he put a coat of sealer on it-so now it's ready for "testing" Thursday night when we have class
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We've hired our new clerk now and she's in her second week-she will be real good, I think, when she learns all the things she will have to know. I'm hoping I can get my feet done in May-we shall see-I am not looking forward to the period right after surgery-for that first two or three weeks,

at least! Ugh-

I don't know much news-haven't heard from Jerry for quite awhile-was going to call him Sunday but we didn't stay home long enough to get the call through-maybe tonight-Found a note from Ken and Debbi when we got home Sunday evening-they had spent the night at Tompkins and were en route home when they stopped-(I wonder if we could have met them on the road?) Surely didn't notice them, anyway. Guess I told you we had dinner with them a week ago to celebrate my birthday-Thank you so much for the lovely card you sent, too-I had some very nice ones!

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Guess Caroline told you about Tracy getting married again—I thought about it but didn't write the letter, I guess—Ha They seem to love it out in the country—it really isn't very far out—where Freeborns used to live, if you remember— Daren loves it there and Tracy always has liked having animals around— they have a horse or horses and other sundry amimals—I hope she will be happy this time—

Ned will be coming in momentarily so I'll have to quit—I hope you have a nice spring vacation, dear—and we'll look for you this summer—

mom & dad.